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(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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1. This international preliminary examination report has been prepared by this International Preliminary Examining Authority and is transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.

☒ This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, i.e., sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis for this report and/or sheets containing rectifications made before this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT).

These annexes consist of a total of 3 sheets.

3. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- I ☒ Basis of the report
- II ☐ Priority
- III ☐ Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- IV ☐ Lack of unity of invention
- V ☒ Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- VI ☐ Certain documents cited
- VII ☐ Certain defects in the international application
- VIII ☐ Certain observations on the international application

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION REPORT

International Application No.

PCT/JP2003/007161

I. Basis of the report

1. With regard to the elements of the international application:*

☐ the international application as originally filed

☒ the description:

pages 1-21, as originally filed
 pages _____, filed with the demand
 pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

☒ the claims:

pages 2-5, 7-9, 11-13, as originally filed
 pages _____, as amended (together with any statement under Article 19
 pages _____, filed with the demand
 pages 1, 6, 10, filed with the letter of 06 May 2004 (06.05.2004)

☒ the drawings:

pages 1/7-7/7, as originally filed
 pages _____, filed with the demand
 pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

☐ the sequence listing part of the description:

pages _____, as originally filed
 pages _____, filed with the demand
 pages _____, filed with the letter of _____

2. With regard to the language, all the elements marked above were available or furnished to this Authority in the language in which the international application was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item. These elements were available or furnished to this Authority in the following language _____ which is:

- ☐ the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rule 23.1(b)).
☐ the language of publication of the international application (under Rule 48.3(b)).
☐ the language of the translation furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination (under Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3).

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- ☐ contained in the international application in written form.
☐ filed together with the international application in computer readable form.
☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in written form.
☐ furnished subsequently to this Authority in computer readable form.
☐ The statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.
☐ The statement that the information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written sequence listing has been furnished.

4. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

- ☐ the description, pages _____
☐ the claims, Nos. _____
☐ the drawings, sheets/fig _____

5. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).**

* Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report since they do not contain amendments (Rule 70.16 and 70.17).

** Any replacement sheet containing such amendments must be referred to under item 1 and annexed to this report.

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International Application No.
PCT/JP 93/07161

V. Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-13	NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-13	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-13	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

Document 1: JP 2001-108951 A (Zaidan Hojin Rikogaku Shinkokai), 20 April 2001

Document 2: JP 3-11703 A (International Business Machines Corporation), 21 January 1991

Document 3: JP 49-17184 A (Siemens AG.), 15 February 1974

Claims 1 to 13

Document 1 ([claims], paragraphs [0004], [0013], [0019], [0023], [0024] and [0042]) cited in the international search report sets forth a semiconductor exhibiting ferromagnetic properties obtained by introducing a rare earth element into a group IV semiconductor, a group III-V semiconductor, or a group II-VI semiconductor. Document 1 also indicates that said semiconductor is manufactured using molecular beam epitaxy, and that the carrier concentration is controlled by doping. Document 2 ([claims], claim 1; page 2, lower right column, line 19 to page 3, upper left column, line 2; page 4, upper right column, lines 12 to 14; page 6, upper right column, lines 11 to 13) cited in the international search report sets forth a semiconductor exhibiting ferromagnetic properties obtained by introducing a rare earth element into a group IV semiconductor or a group III-V semiconductor. Document 2

also indicates that said semiconductor is manufactured using the MBE method or the like, and that a plurality of rare earth elements are mixed together.

It is known that magnetic properties change according to composition, and it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to control magnetic properties by adjusting the concentration of dopant and the concentration of rare earth elements in document 1. Moreover, it would be easy for a person skilled in the art to adjust the concentration of the rare earth elements and to adjust the combination of rare earth elements in document 2, thereby controlling magnetic properties.

Document 3 (page 2, lower left column, line 11 to lower right column, line 3) cited in the international search report sets forth a feature wherein a combination of elements including rare earth elements is introduced into a group II-VI semiconductor.